

Estimated Acreage sown for Grain, Hay and Fodder, Season 1939-40 in comparison with the actual for 1938-39.

Season	State Acres	D I V I S I O N S					
		Central Acres	Lower North Acres	Upper North Acres	South Eastern Acres	Western Acres	Murray Mallee Acres
<u>W H E A T.</u>							
1938-39	3,344,264	582,068	819,416	305,452	45,591	841,400	750,337
1939-40	3,020,000	525,000	745,000	295,000	35,000	770,000	650,000
Increase	-324,264	-57,068	-74,416	-10,452	-10,591	-71,400	-100,337
<u>B A R L E Y.</u>							
1938-39	505,345	279,982	109,303	1,444	17,360	38,412	58,844
1939-40	560,000	285,000	125,000	2,500	19,500	48,000	80,000
Increase	54,655	5,018	15,697	1,056	2,140	9,588	21,156
<u>O A T S.</u>							
1938-39	697,470	116,470	84,201	5,010	52,446	268,443	170,900
1939-40	840,000	125,000	100,000	7,500	55,500	352,000	200,000
Increase	142,530	8,530	15,799	2,490	3,054	83,557	29,100
<u>WHEAT, BARLEY &amp; OATS.</u>							
1938-39	4,547,079	978,520	1,012,920	311,906	115,397	1,148,255	980,081
1939-40	4,420,000	935,000	970,000	305,000	110,000	1,170,000	930,000
Increase	-127,079	-43,520	-32,920	-6,906	-5,397	21,745	-50,081

NOTE : Since 1930-31, the year of maximum crop areas, the acreage under wheat for all purposes has decreased from 4,507,213 to 3,020,000, barley has increased from 267,369 to 560,000, and oats has increased from 519,300 to 840,000, the total area under these three cereals having decreased from 5,293,882 to 4,420,000 acres. From December 1930 to December 1938, the number of sheep has increased from 5,980,959 to 9,936,586 and the number of cattle from 218,985 to 318,897.

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